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E.O. 11652: XGDS-2

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SUBJECT: RECALL OF ISSUE OF KWANGMING DAILY

1. ON JULY 26, PROCUREMENT SOURCES HERE, AS WELL AS OTHER INTELLIGENCE, ADVISED US THAT THE JULY 23 ISSUE OF KWANGMING DAILY, PUBLISHED IN PEKING, HAD BEEN RECALLED. WE HAD RECEIVED THE ISSUE FOR THAT DATE ON JULY 25 AND HAD EXAMINED IT CAREFULLY WITHOUT NOTING ANYTHING UNUSUAL.

2. ON THE CHANCE THAT USLO MIGHT HAVE RECEIVED THE ORIGINAL OR UNREVISED VERSION, WE ADVISED USLO PEKING OF OUR INFORMATION RE THE RECALLED ISSUE AND SENT THEM A LIST OF ALL ARTICLES IN OUR KWANGMING DAILY FOR JULY 23. USLO HAS RESPONDED THAT COMPARISON SHOWS THEY HAVE A DIFFERENT VERSION FROM OURS. ALL OF THEIR KWANGMING DAILY PAGE TWO FOR JULY 23 WAS DEVOTED TO AN ARTICLE BY "NAN CHUNG" OF NAN KAI UNIVERSITY ON HAN FEI-TZU'S "KU FEN" (PESSIMISM/MISANTHROPY). FAMOUS LEGALIST PHILOSOPHER HAN FEI-TZU IS, OF COURSE, TOUTED POSITIVELY IN THE CURRENT ANTI-CONFUCIUS, ANTI-LIN PIAO CAMPAIGN. WE PRESUME THIS IS THE OFFENDING ARTICLE AND THAT IT HAS BEEN REPLACED ON PAGE TWO IN OUR KWANGMING DAILY FOR JULY 23 WITH FIVE FAIRLY INNOCUOUS PIECES, THREE CONCERNING CRITICISM OF LIN AT A PLASTICS PLANT, A FORESTRY

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UNIT AND A BALL BEARINGS PLANT; ANOTHER ARTICLE DESCRIBES A SMALL

TRAIN'S SUPPORT OF AGRICULTURE AND ANOTHER IS ON DEFEATING  
LOCUSTS. WE WILL TRANSLATE AND TRANSMIT THE HAN FEI-TZU ARTICLE  
AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE THE XEROX OF USLO'S KWANGMING DAILY BEING  
POUCHED TO US.  
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